



information acquired from the MHPA newsletters and other sources

MARTY QUILLEN

Clio, MI

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Marty started pitching with his dad in the back yard when he was quite young. He quickly graduated to the neighbors yard where they had three lighted courts. The started at number one court and worked their way up to court number three where you could stay until you lost. Each game on court number three cost you 25 cents. You had to pay for the lights you know. This is Marty's first competitive pitching. Otherwiswe he pitched at picnics, fairs and festivals

Marty joined the NHPA/MHPA in 1984 when he went to a Michigan-Ontario Friendship Tournament. He met Fred Smith (past president) that year at Beaverton. He remembers because Connie was pregnant with Glen the year.

Marty started pitching a flip shoe and evolved to a 1 3/4 turn. He later damaged and finger and has now gone to a 1 1/4 turn.

Marty and Connie pitching in and ran the Montrose Club, the Blueberry Festival and the St. Charles Snowmobile Club tournament. Marty also ran the Clio club until they moved to Mt. Morris. Which is now runs. Connie pitched for thirty years . The former clubs were segregated, the women pitched seperately from the men.

Marty has pitched in nearly all the State Championships since he started and nearly all the Michigan-Ontario Friendship Tournaments. He has pitched in many World Tournaments and in Kitchener, Ontario. The whole family pitched, Connie, Marty and sons Glen, George and Frank.

Marty was Treasurer of the MHPA fo 12 years.

Marty is a great addition to the MHPA Hall of Fame.